

## **Congressman Towns Project Funding Requests for Fiscal Year 2011 Appropriations**

*In accordance with the policies put forth by the House Appropriations Committee, I would like to share with you some information regarding the projects that I have submitted for consideration in FY2011:*

**\$650,000 for the African American Planning Commission, Inc. at P.O. Box 330-707, Brooklyn, NY 11233:** Funding will be used for construction of a new 65 unit supportive housing program for single adults and families living with HIV/AIDS, in the East New York community of Brooklyn.

**\$500,000 for Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Corporation at Restoration Plaza, 1368 Fulton St., Brooklyn, NY 11216:** Funding will be used to incorporate energy efficient technology and green infrastructure improvements to the renovation of a historic 300,000 sq ft plaza, to set the standard for green community development and urban energy conservation.

**\$500,000 for Berean Community & Family Life Center, Inc. at 1641 Bergen St., Brooklyn, NY 11213:** Funding will support community outreach initiatives to children and adults for Berean Community Drumline and Health Literacy Program for adults and youth.

**\$100,000 for Bergen Basin Community Development Corp. d/b/a/ Millennium Development at 5985 Shore Parkway, Brooklyn, NY 11236:** Funding will be used to operate an active adult and senior citizen program within the newly opened NYCHA Community Center located in Bayview housing.

**\$250,000 for BRIC Arts | Media | Bklyn at 647 Fulton St, Brooklyn, NY 11217:** Funding will be used to support art exhibitions, workshops, performances, education programs for public school students and live town hall meetings, cablecast to 500,000 Brooklyn residents via BRIC's BCAT Television Network

**\$250,000 for Brooklyn Alliance, Inc. at 25 Elm Place, Ste 200, Brooklyn, NY 11201:** Funding will be used to support Brooklyn based manufacturers by providing technical assistance to businesses in need of guidance with importing and exporting, and entering new market.

**\$500,000 for Brooklyn Arts Council, at 55 Washington Street, Suite 218 Brooklyn, NY 11201-1074:** Funding will be used to support intensive, customized arts education programs for up to 1,000 at-risk youth at schools in NY-10. The students served by this project face very real threats of succumbing to the pressures of gang activity, drug and alcohol abuse, truancy, dropping out, and chronic unemployment. By providing such students with creative activities, this project will employ research-backed strategies to help prevent these outcomes over the long term, giving participating students the tools

and life skills they need to address problems like poor school performance and lack of self-esteem, while building confidence in communication.

**\$300,000 for Brooklyn Botanic Garden at 1000 Washington Ave., Brooklyn, NY**

**11225:** Funding will be used to support two youth programs for at-risk youth in Title I schools at Project Greenreach (ecology lessons for k-8 students); and Garden Apprentice Program (internship and leadership placements for grades 8-12).

**\$578,300 for Brooklyn Children's Museum at 145 Brooklyn Ave., Brooklyn, NY**

**11213:** Funding will be used to support staffing, curriculum development, professional fees, travel costs for educational trips and healthy snacks for the museum's free-of-charge, year-round after school and job training program for at-risk youth.

**\$500,000 for Brooklyn Community Pride Center, Inc. at 93 Montague St. Suite 339**

**Brooklyn, NY 11201:** Funding will support the design, planning and construction of a new health and wellness center to serve all of Brooklyn, featuring culturally competent, community-specific service and outreach to the LGBT population.

**\$325,000 for Brooklyn Historical Society at 128 Pierrepont St. Brooklyn, NY 11201:**

Funding will be used to support 1) permanent historical markers that will be placed throughout the borough in locations that evoke the powerful story of abolitionism in Brooklyn and 2) educational curricula and accompanying professional development programs for Brooklyn public school students and their teachers.

**\$450,000 for Brooklyn Hospital Center at 121 DeKalb Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11201:**

Funding will be used to purchase equipment critical to TBHC's provision of care to patients requiring surgical services such as orthopedic procedures, neurosurgery, vascular care, urology and pain management.

**\$500,000 for Brooklyn Legal Services Corp A at 256-60 Broadway, Brooklyn, NY**

**11211:** Funding will be used to provide critical legal services and generate jobs in communities with high rates of unemployment by representing non-profit CBOs in legal matters.

**\$500,000 for Brooklyn Navy Yard Development Corporation at 63 Flushing Ave.,**

**Unit 300, Brooklyn, NY 11205:** Funding will support building an exhibition, visitors, and job training center, and associated programming and exhibitory focused on the rapidly emerging green manufacturing sector.

**\$500,000 for Business Outreach Center Network, Inc. at 85 South Oxford, Brooklyn,**

**NY 11217:** Funding will be used to provide training and/or individualized assistance to 400-500 clients with the goal to create 180-200 new jobs through new self employment and/or microenterprise business expansion.

**\$337,500 for Children’s Choice Family Services at 1009 Broadway 2nd Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11221:** Funding will be used to install a fire alarm and provide homework help, mentoring and project-based learning, emphasizing green communities for 700 at-risk youth in NY-10.

**\$150,000 for Friends of the Congressional Glaucoma Caucus Foundation (FCGCF) at 1983 Marcus Ave., Ste. 111, Lake Success, NY 11042:** Funding will be used to provide free glaucoma/vision screenings, follow-up treatment services for high-risk populations with an emphasis on African Americans, Hispanics, senior citizens in general, people with diabetes and/or high blood pressure, and family history risk factors

**\$150,000 for Citizens Committee for NYC at 767 Fifth Ave., New York, NY 10153:** Funding will be used to support the mobilization of neighborhood at-risk youth to work on community improvement projects, especially around beautification, recycling and access to fresh food in NYC neighborhoods.

**\$250,000 for Citizen Schools New York at 55 Exchange Place, 5th Floor, New York, NY 10005:** Funding will be used to provide funds for direct costs of serving disadvantaged students, including salaries of front-line instructors, training, supplies, parent and community engagement, and volunteer recruitment for an after-school mentoring program for middle school, at-risk youth.

**\$300,000 for City Parks Foundation at 830 Fifth Ave., New York, NY 10065:** Funding will be used to hire educators, tennis, track & field instructors, performers, local theater and dance companies, and other staff needed to execute free programs for at-risk youth in NY-10.

**\$500,000 for Coalition for the Homeless at 212 Fulton St, 4th floor, New York, NY 10038:** Funding will support eviction prevention and services for homeless and at-risk families for over 2,200 individuals in Brooklyn.

**\$600,000 for Community Service Society of New York at 105 East 22nd Street, New York, NY 10010:** Funding will be used to support a pilot project which would include education/GED advancement, skills for independent living, wrap-around support services, and specific skills training to prepare young adults for career opportunities in such areas as repair, maintenance, replacement and construction of infrastructure in NYC parks; construction work along NYC streets, bridges, tunnels and port facilities; and urban beautification work, among other areas.

**\$4,000,000 for The Consortium for Plant Biotechnology Research, Inc. at 100 Sylvan Dr., Ste 210, St. Simons Island, GA 31522:** This funding will support university environmental research and technology transfer, to produce technological innovations for a cleaner, safer environment.

**\$300,000 for Consortium for Worker Education at 275 7th Ave., New York, NY 10001:** Funding will be used to provide career based education, training and placement services for residents of NY-10.

**\$205,000 for the Council of Jewish Organizations of Flatbush, Inc. (COJO of Flatbush) at 1550 Coney Island Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11230:** Funding will be used to support the micro-enterprise economic development incubator, assisting 200 low to middle-income clients to begin or expand small enterprises; and to provide financial literacy courses.

**\$600,000 for The Doe Fund, Inc. at 232 E 84th Street, New York, NY 10028:** Funding will be used to provide paid transitional work, case management, occupational skills training, drug testing, counseling services, literacy and educational classes for ex-offenders to permanently break the cycle of incarceration, dependency and addiction.

**\$93,956 for East NY United Concerned Citizens, Inc. at 457 New Lots Ave., Rear Suite, Brooklyn, NY 11207:** Funding will be used to provide academic support and counseling to youth and teenagers to eliminate delinquency, negative peer pressure, acceptance of substance use as normal behavior, alienation from school, family and community; and association with gangs.

**\$344,000 for Gateway National Recreation Area at 210 New York Ave., Staten Island, NY 10305:** Funding will be used for a Level III Inspection, i.e., inspection of the Canarsie pier that is thorough enough to detect hidden and imminent damage. Ideally, the inspection would require the removal of all remaining timber jackets on all piles to allow for proper inspection of pile condition. Because the piles are covered by the timber jackets (and thus any deterioration is hidden) and observed deterioration was not limited to a particular area of the pier (it was chronic), a sampling of the piles will have to be large enough to be meaningful regarding the condition of the pier. This sample will be determined based upon any existing condition surveys and data.

**\$300,000 for Gay Men of African Descent, Inc. at 44 Court Street, #1000, Brooklyn, NY 11201:** Funding will be used to provide health education services, conduct HIV testing activities for black gay and bisexual men, and to link to care HIV positive individuals.

**\$150,000 for God's Love We Deliver at 166 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10013:** Funding will be used to support nutrition counseling and delivery of nutritious meals to Brooklyn residents living with chronic and critical illnesses such as HIV/AIDS, cancer, Alzheimer's disease, renal failure and multiple sclerosis.

**\$500,000 for Good Shepherd Services at 1600 Rockaway Parkway, Brooklyn, NY 11236:** Funding will be used to provide a range of youth development supports including: case management; counseling and crisis intervention services; resource referrals; attendance outreach; workshops; academic tutoring and test preparation; college preparation, employment readiness, and career exploration activities; job development and placement; and youth development opportunities.

**\$300,000 for Goodwill Industries of Greater New York and Northern New Jersey, Inc. at 4-21 27th Ave., Astoria, New York 11102:** Funding will be used to address a looming obesity epidemic among low income youth in the district. The program will provide anti-obesity programming to at least 150 youth ages 10-14 and their families in the district to reduce both childhood obesity and the resulting health issues caused by this crisis.

**\$46,824 for G.R.A.C.E. International – Generating Resources to Advance Community Empowerment at 2010 Fulton St., Brooklyn, NY 11233:** Funding will be used to add an additional social worker to provide in-depth client assistance, including referrals and counseling for job training, legal aid, and government benefits, resume development, job interview skills, and associated services that will enable our clients to better support themselves and their families.

**\$350,000 for Helen Keller Services for the Blind at 57 Willoughby Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201:** Funding will be used for building improvements, including construction of 2 ADA-accessible bathrooms, renovations to 6 existing bathrooms for client safety and comfort, and renovations to the building's main entrance.

**\$117,000 for HHC/Cumberland Diagnostic and Treatment Center at 100 North Portland Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11201:** Funding will be used to develop and publish a youth eating guide aimed at improving young people's food choices to help establish healthy lifestyles that will result in reductions of obesity and the negative health outcomes associated with an unhealthy lifestyle.

**\$300,000 for Jewish Community Council of Canarsie at 1170 Pennsylvania Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11239:** Funding will be used to assist Holocaust survivors by providing comprehensive case management services, psychosocial support groups, home visitations, counseling, prepared meal deliveries, exercise programs, and socialization opportunities for individuals who suffer deteriorating physical and mental conditions and experience a lack of extended family supports, compounded by trauma, nightmares and loneliness.

**\$630,000 for Kings County Hospital Center at 451 Clarkson Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11203:** Funding will be used to acquire cardio-respiratory monitors for heart rate, respiratory rate, oxygen saturation and blood pressure values.

**\$400,000 for Leadership Learning Lab at 598 Broadway, 5th Floor, New York, NY 10012:** Funding will be used to support professional development for school and youth development workers, identification/expansion of model activities/services, and parent and community engagement.

**\$322,800 for Long Island University at 700 Northern Boulevard, Glen Head, NY 11548:** Funding will be used to implement a train-the-trainer pilot project in collaboration with faith based organizations to target individuals within communities where asthma rates are highest and the greatest health care disparities exist. In addition, asthma assessment data at Brooklyn Hospital will be tracked to determine obstacles to appropriate asthma education and treatment and develop effective interventions to overcome those obstacles.

**\$700,000 for Maimonides Medical Center at 4802 Tenth Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11219:** Funding will be used for construction and renovation of the Maimonides Cancer Center.

**\$600,000 for Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty at 80 Maiden Lane, 21st floor, New York, NY 10038:** Funding will be used to expand the “Career Services Program.” The program provides financial and vocational literacy, as well as job placement to low wage workers. This program directly meets the goals and objectives of SBA’s small business development and entrepreneurship initiatives program by providing local small businesses with trained, motivated and supported personnel.

**\$400,000 for Medgar Evers College at 1650 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11225:** Funding will be used to provide direct services to small businesses, faculty, students and the community at large by assisting "export ready" businesses to become exporting companies; providing services to 'new to market' businesses; providing greater technical assistance to companies with high demand enterprise; informing and enhancing the awareness of other local businesses about the benefits of exporting; developing programs for women-owned businesses; developing freight forwarding, customs broker and maritime security training for community residents; and seeking to attract foreign investment into Brooklyn-based companies.

**\$3,000,000 for Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC) at 31 Tech Valley Drive, East Greenbush, NY 12061:** Funding will be used to provide real time cyber threat detection and prevention for state and local governments. It also enhances situational awareness of the state and local government cyber environment, improves cyber incident response, and provides for cyber security assessments of state and local government networks. The “Multi-State Information Sharing & Analysis Center” is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because there is a huge disparity in state and local governments’ capacity to handle current vulnerabilities and threats and/or to mitigate and recover from possible cyber attacks. The Center seeks to foster collaboration between as many states as possible to prevent attacks.

**\$250,000 for Museum of Contemporary African Diasporan Arts, Inc. at 80 Hanson Place, Brooklyn, NY 11217:** Funding will be utilized to support the Education Department, which consists of our Guided School Tours, African Diaspora Artist-In-Residency Program, High School and College Internship Program, Curriculum Development and Professional Development Seminars. This expansive educational program will reach approximately 30,000 teachers and at-risk students throughout Brooklyn, New York.

**\$500,000 for National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS at 120 Wall Street, Ste 2303, New York, NY 10005:** Funding will be used to educate, train, motivate and mobilize Black leadership to address the HIV epidemic in African-American communities across the nation.

**\$3,500,000 for NYC Department of Transportation at 51 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007:** The Carlton Avenue Bridge will provide a vital north south connection over the Long Island Railroad's Vanderbilt Yard. It will open Carlton Ave to new development and will enhance the currently blighted area's appeal for future residential and office projects while providing essential transportation functions between Brooklyn's neighborhoods.

**\$296,600 for NYC Industries for the Blind, Inc. at 3611 14th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11218:** Funding will be used to develop and implement specialized sewing training and employment placement program which will generate 60 new jobs for legally blind men and women at New York City Industries for the Blind's factory in Brooklyn, NY. Successful new trainees will work on new U.S. Department of Defense contracts for the U.S. Army's new Advanced Combat Shirt (ACS), the U.S. Army's new IOTV (Improved Outer Tactical Vest), U. S. Army's Cold Weather Mechanics' Coveralls, and the U. S. Marine's new MTV (Modular Tactical Vest).

**\$300,000 for New York Junior Tennis League (NYJTL) at 58-12 Queens Blvd, Ste 1, 59th Street Entrance, Woodside, NY 11377:** Funding will be used to support tennis and literacy activities for low-income students.

**\$600,000 for New York Methodist Hospital at 506 Sixth St, Brooklyn, NY 11215:** Funding will be used to expand a successful diabetes education initiative to serve patients at four satellite locations, increasing access to services and reducing the risk for diabetes-related complications across Brooklyn.

**\$52,000,000 for the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation at 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-1010:** This funding will be used to implement four key plans that provide for the protection and restoration of the Hudson River Estuary.

**\$4,000,000 for New York State Energy Research and Development Authority at 17 Columbia Circle, Albany, NY 12203-6399:** Funding will be used to design, engineer, fabricate, assemble, install, operate and monitor an array of KHPS Turbines capable of achieving approximately 1-2 MW at a site on Roosevelt Island.

**\$300,000 for Paul J. Cooper Center for Human Services, Inc. at 519 Rockaway Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11212:** Funding will support the acquisition and Lease Build Out or Purchase for new facility to accommodate expanded drug treatment program for adolescents and to establish a detox program for substance abusers and Day program for OMRDD clients.

**\$750,000 for Phoenix House at 50 Jay Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201:** Funding will be used to strengthen the vocational training and support services provided and to enhance services by providing job training; pathways to living wage jobs; and vocational support services.

**\$2,250,000 for Polytechnic Institute of NYU at 6 Metrotech Center, Brooklyn, NY 11201:** This funding will be used for the development of a highly integrated state-of-the-art cyber-controlled smart microgrid experimental facility and the associated hardware, software, and systems technologies at the Polytechnic Institute of NYU. The proposed facility with advocated transformational research and development effort will provide scientific discovery, technology transfer, workforce training and education, market penetration, and business success for Smart Grid and energy storage systems.

**\$5,000,000 for Polytechnic Institute of NYU at 6 Metrotech Center, Brooklyn, NY 11201:** This funding will be used to create a world-class Terahertz-Frequency Materials & Devices Research Center at the Polytechnic Institute of NYU for the THz-frequency material science studies, and the development of novel THz devices, components and systems which will be useful to an array of DOD relevant applications.

**\$500,000 for Polytechnic Institute of NYU at 6 Metrotech Center, Brooklyn, NY 11201:** Funding will be used to establish a Rapid Prototyping Facility for Business Incubators/Accelerators at the Polytechnic Institute of NYU for early-stage companies that develop small electronics and medical devices to commercialize their inventions. It will help bolster New York City's entrepreneurial ecosystem, strengthen high-tech industries and diversify the economy.

**\$400,000 for PROGRESS High School at 850 Grand Street, Brooklyn, NY 11211:** Funding will be used to provide physical education and wellness services to address the community's high rates of diabetes, obesity, heart disease, asthma, and chronic school absenteeism.

**\$500,000 for Prospect Park Alliance at 95 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn, NY 11215:** Funding will be used to provide environmental job training for disadvantaged young people about the natural world and its stewardship in Brooklyn, through youth employment, BASE High School, and public education programs.



**\$10,000,000 for Reach Out and Read at 56 Roland Street, Ste 100 D, Boston, MA 02129:** Funding will be used to promote early language and literacy development and school readiness.

**\$700,000 for St. Francis College at 180 Remsen St., Brooklyn, NY 11201:** Funding will be used to support “Project Access,” which provides pre-college support services for at-risk students.

**\$300,000 for St. John’s Bread & Life at 795 Lexington Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11221:** Funding will be used to address the obesity epidemic among low-income families in NY-10, through the provision of tailored, nutritious meals and anti-obesity programming.

**\$500,000 for St. Stephen Outreach, Inc. at 874 Myrtle Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11206:** Funding will be used to support the delivery of varied social services and operational programs on site, developing/purchasing computer software and upgrading/modernizing site technology to better track and analyze all phases of the programs and their overall effectiveness, purchase food, equipment and supplies for Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen; and increase music educational capacity.

**\$505,000 for the School of New Resources, College of New Rochelle located at 1368 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, NY 11216:** Funding will be used to make the facility completely wireless and to equip two smart classrooms. The campus is being renovated to accommodate an additional 400 students. Funding will help bridge the digital divide that many low-income adults experience and would improve the quality of their education in many academic areas.

**Report Language for Seeds of Peace International at 370 Lexington Ave., Suite 401, New York, NY 10017:** Report language is requested to support Seeds of Peace and its Camp in Maine – which brings young people from regions of conflict together to learn the dialogue and communication skills necessary to foster coexistence at home – as well as its international follow-up programs in the Middle East and South Asia.

**\$300,000 for Sports & Arts in Schools Foundation at 58-12 Queens Blvd., Ste 1, 59th Street Entrance, Woodside, NY 11377:** Funding will be used to support free after-school programs for at-risk youth in NYC.

**\$150,000 for STRIVE/East Harlem Employment Services, Inc. at 240 East 123rd St., 3rd floor, New York, NY 10035:** Funding will be used to launch a Brooklyn-based demonstration program to offer a four-week CORE+ Attitudinal (soft skills)/Job Readiness workshop to at-risk individuals. The program is currently used as a precursor to sector-based occupational skills training at their East Harlem site and has proven to be very effective in closing the skills gap so hard-to-employ individuals can compete for livable wage jobs with career advancement opportunities.

**\$50,000,000 for Teach for America at 315 West 36th Street, New York, NY 10018:** Funding will be used for recruiting, selecting, training and providing professional development to top recent college graduates of all academic majors who commit two years to teach in our nation's highest poverty communities.

**\$5,000,000 for Thurgood Marshall College Fund at 80 Maiden Lane, Ste 2204, New York, NY 10038:** This funding will be used to assist the Department of Energy in its efforts to recruit minority students who will pursue careers in energy sciences. TMCF seeks a partnership with DOE that will enable TMCF to increase the number of minority scholars pursuing energy science as a career by providing access to research experience and assistance in enhancing TMCF schools technology support, particularly at Medgar Evers College.

**\$5,000,000 for Thurgood Marshall College Fund at 80 Maiden Lane Suite 2204, New York, NY 10038:** Funding will be used to recruit over 1,100 at-risk male students of color to serve as participants in this mentoring program; match each mentor with five at-risk middle and high school student mentees; promote positive self identity, personal vision, life skills, social and emotional skills, moral character, work ethic, and lifelong learning leading to college education; and establish partnerships with local school districts to engage and inspire students to pursue higher education.

**\$500,000 for Trilok Fusion Arts Center, Inc. at 138 S. Oxford St., Ste 2B, Brooklyn, NY 11217:** Funding will support building renovation of an after-school arts facility.

**\$350,000 for United Jewish Organizations at 32 Penn Street, Brooklyn, NY 11211:** Funding will be used for housing, foreclosure prevention & Workforce Development in the Williamsburg, Bedford Stuyvesant, and Clinton Hill neighborhoods of Brooklyn, NY.

**\$530,000 for Visiting Nurse Service of New York (VNSNY) at 1675 Broadway, New York, NY 10019:** Funding will be used to improve health IT system to efficiently incorporate data from patient's other health providers into the patient's health record.

**\$200,000 for Weeksville Heritage Center at PO Box 130-120, St. John's Station, Brooklyn, NY 11213:** Funding will be used for construction costs associated with the installation of a visitor orientation exhibition.

**\$250,000 for Wyckoff Heights Medical Center at 34 Stockholm St, Brooklyn, NY 11237:** Funding will be used to purchase new fetal monitoring equipment.